

**U.S. UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

O.I.P.E. SCANNED G.A.	PATENT DATE MAR 09 2004
-----------------------------	----------------------------

PATENT NUMBER  
6702985

SECTOR	CLASS 432	SUBCLASS 28	ART UNIT 17	EXAMINER MICK A. N. [Signature]
	4-6		4/7/44	100-220410

FILED WITH: ☐ DISK (CRF) ☐ FICHE  
(Attached in pocket on right inside flap)

Method of sterilizing empty containers

00.422 Certificate

MAY 18 2004

# of Correction

**PREPARED AND APPROVED FOR ISSUE**

[illegible]

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>TERMINAL DISCLAIMER</b>	<b>DRAWINGS</b>		<b>CLAIMS ALLOWED</b>	
	Sheets Drwg. 18	Figs. Drwg. 21	Print Fig. 3	Total Claims 23
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) The term of this patent subsequent to _____ (date) has been disclaimed.	_____ (Assistant Examiner)		<b>NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE MAILED</b>	
	_____ (Date)		10/17/03	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) The term of this patent shall not extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent. No. _____	E. Leigh McKane <b>ELIZABETH MCKANE</b> <b>PRIMARY EXAMINER</b> Au M44		<b>ISSUE FEE</b>	
	_____ (Primary Examiner)		Amount Due \$665	
<input type="checkbox"/> c) The terminal _____ months of this patent have been disclaimed.	_____ (Legal Instruments Examiner)		Date Paid 1-16-04	
	_____ (Date)		<b>ISSUE BATCH NUMBER</b>	
<b>WARNING:</b>				

**WARNING:**

The information disclosed herein may be restricted. Unauthorized disclosure may be prohibited by the United States Code Title 35, Sections 122, 181 and 368. Possession outside the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office is restricted to authorized employees and contractors only.

Form PTO-436A  
(Rev. 6/98)

ISSUE FFF IN FILE

(LABEL AREA)

(FACE)